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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

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 **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment	0	minus highest number		
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0 x \$50.00	\$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$
Independent claims after amendment	0	minus highest number		
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Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add  
\$130.00 (1814)/ \$65.00 (2814) \$

Applicant claims "small entity" status.  Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee  
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**AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Official Action dated December 15, 2005, entry and  
consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.